

To the members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill No. 875 without my signature.

This bill calls for the development of an unnecessary set of standards. The Labor and Workforce Development Agency already has the authority to coordinate enforcement efforts related to the underground economy. Additionally, this bill is duplicative of efforts currently underway by the Economic and Employment Enforcement Coalition, an inter-agency task force focused on enforcement activities. This year's budget includes \$6.5 million and 62 personnel years for coordinated enforcement of the underground economy by these entities.

The state funds spent developing the standards called for in this bill would be better spent actually enforcing existing laws.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger